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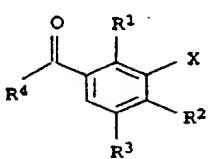
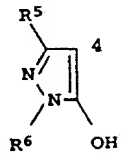
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(54) Title: HERBICIDAL MIXTURE CONTAINING A 3 HETEROCYCLYL-SUBSTITUTED BENZOYL DERIVATIVE (54) Bezeichnung: HERBIZIDE MISCHUNG, ENTHALTEND EIN 3 HETEROCYCLYL-SUBSTITUIERTES BENZOYLDERIVAT		
<div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-around; align-items: center;"> <div style="text-align: center;">  <p>(I)</p> </div> <div style="text-align: center;">  <p>(II)</p> </div> </div>		
(57) Abstract Herbicidal mixture containing a) a herbicidally effective amount of a 3 heterocyclyl-substituted benzoyl derivative of formula (I), wherein the variables have the following meanings: R ¹ , R ² = hydrogen, halogen, C ₁ -C ₆ alkyl, C ₁ -C ₆ alkylthio, C ₁ -C ₆ alkylsulfinyl, C ₁ -C ₆ halogen alkyl, C ₁ -C ₆ alkoxy, C ₁ -C ₆ halogenalkoxy; R ³ = hydrogen, halogen, C ₁ -C ₆ alkyl; X = a heterocycle from the group of isoxazolyl, 4,5-dihydroisoxazolyl and thiazolyl, whereby said heterocycle can be substituted once or more with halogen, C ₁ -C ₆ alkyl, C ₁ -C ₄ alkoxy, C ₁ -C ₄ halogenalkyl, C ₁ -C ₄ halogenalkoxy, C ₁ -C ₄ alkylthio; R ⁴ = a cross-linked pyrazol in position 4 of formula (II), whereby R ⁵ = hydrogen or C ₁ -C ₆ alkyl and R ⁶ = C ₁ -C ₆ alkyl, or the environmentally compatible salts thereof; b) a fertiliser containing nitrogen in a synergistically effective quantity and c) an adjuvant in a synergistically effective quantity. (57) Zusammenfassung Herbizide Mischung, enthaltend a) eine herbizid wirksame Menge eines 3-heterocyclyl-substituierten Benzoylderivates der Formel (I), in der die Variablen folgende Bedeutung haben: R ¹ , R ² Wasserstoff, Halogen, C ₁ -C ₆ -Alkyl, C ₁ -C ₆ -Alkylthio, C ₁ -C ₆ -Alkylsulfinyl, C ₁ -C ₆ -Alkylsulfonyl, C ₁ -C ₆ -Halogenalkyl, C ₁ -C ₆ -Alkoxy, C ₁ -C ₆ -Halogenalkoxy; R ³ Wasserstoff, Halogen, C ₁ -C ₆ -Alkyl; X Heterocyclus aus der Gruppe Isoxazolyl, 4,5-Dihydroisoxazolyl und Thiazolyl, wobei der Heterocyclus gegebenenfalls einfach oder mehrfach mit Halogen, C ₁ -C ₆ -Alkyl, C ₁ -C ₄ -Alkoxy, C ₁ -C ₄ -Halogenalkyl, C ₁ -C ₄ -Halogenalkoxy, C ₁ -C ₄ -Alkylthio substituiert sein kann; R ⁴ ein in 4-Stellung verknüpftes Pyrazol der Formel (II), wobei R ⁵ Wasserstoff oder C ₁ -C ₆ -Alkyl, R ⁶ C ₁ -C ₆ -Alkyl bedeuten, oder deren umweltverträglichen Salze; b) einen stickstoffhaltigen Dünger in einer synergistisch wirksamen Menge und c) ein Adjuvant in einer synergistisch wirksamen Menge.		

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Herbicidal mixture comprising a 3-heterocyclyl-substituted benzoyl derivative, a nitrogenous fertilizer and an adjuvant.

5 Description

The present invention relates to a synergistically acting herbicidal mixture of a 3-heterocyclyl-substituted benzoyl
10 derivative, a nitrogenous fertilizer and an adjuvant.

3-Heterocyclyl-substituted benzoyl derivatives are known and are described, for example, in WO 96/26206, WO 97/41116, WO 97/41117 and WO 97/41118.

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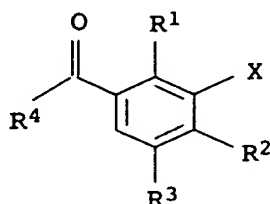
Herbicidal compositions of substituted cyclohexanediones and nitrogen fertilizers are disclosed in EP-B-0584 227.

20 It is an object of the present invention to provide a herbicidal mixture which comprises 3-heterocyclyl-substituted benzoyl derivatives and whose herbicidal action exceeds the action of the pure active ingredient.

25 We have found that this object is achieved by a herbicidal mixture which comprises

a) a herbicidally active amount of a 3-heterocyclyl-substituted benzoyl derivative of the formula I

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40 in which the variables have the following meanings:

R¹, R² are hydrogen, halogen, C₁-C₆-alkyl, C₁-C₆-alkylthio, C₁-C₆-alkylsulfinyl, C₁-C₆-alkylsulfonyl, C₁-C₆-haloalkyl, C₁-C₆-alkoxy, C₁-C₆-haloalkoxy;

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R³ is hydrogen, halogen, C₁-C₆-alkyl;

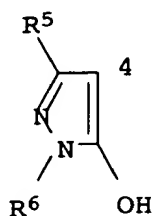
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X is a heterocycle from amongst the group consisting of isoxazolyl, 4,5-dihydroisoxazolyl and thiazolyl, it being possible for the heterocycle to be optionally monosubstituted or polysubstituted by halogen, C₁-C₆-alkyl, C₁-C₄-alkoxy, C₁-C₄-haloalkyl, C₁-C₄-haloalkoxy, C₁-C₄-alkylthio;

R⁴ is a pyrazole of the formula II

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which is linked in the 4-position and where

R⁵ is hydrogen or C₁-C₆-alkyl,

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R⁶ is C₁-C₆-alkyl

or their environmentally compatible salts;

30 b) a nitrogenous fertilizer in a synergistically effective amount and

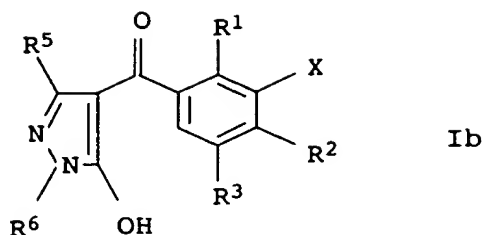
c) an adjuvant in a synergistically effective amount.

35 The herbicidal mixture according to the invention exhibits a synergistic effect and is selective for those crop plants which also tolerate the individual compounds themselves.

40 3-Heterocyclyl-substituted benzoyl derivatives of the formula Ib which are especially preferred with a view to the synergistic herbicidal action are those in which [sic]

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R^1, R^2 are chlorine, methyl, ethyl, SCH_3 , SOCH_3 , SO_2CH_3 ;

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R^3 is hydrogen and methyl;

R^5 is hydrogen, methyl, trifluoromethyl;

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R^6 is methyl, ethyl, isopropyl;

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x [sic] is [lacuna] heterocycle from amongst the group: isoxazolyl, 4,5-dihydroisoxazolyl and thiazolyl, it being possible for the heterocycle to be optionally monosubstituted or polysubstituted by halogen, $\text{C}_1\text{-C}_6\text{-alkyl}$, $\text{C}_1\text{-C}_4\text{-alkoxy}$, $\text{C}_1\text{-C}_4\text{-haloalkyl}$, $\text{C}_1\text{-C}_4\text{-haloalkoxy}$, $\text{C}_1\text{-C}_4\text{-alkylthio}$,

or their environmentally compatible salts.

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Preferred compounds of the formula Ib are compiled in the table which follows:

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No.	R^1	R^2	R^3	R^5	R^6	X
1	Cl	SO_2CH_3	H	CH_3	CH_3	2-thiazolyl
2	Cl	SO_2CH_3	H	H	CH_3	2-thiazolyl
3	Cl	SO_2CH_3	H	CH_3	CH_3	4,5-dihydroisoxazol-3-yl
4	Cl	Cl	H	CH_3	CH_3	4,5-dihydroisoxazol-3-yl
5	Cl	SO_2CH_3	H	H	CH_3	4,5-dihydroisoxazol-3-yl
6	Cl	SO_2CH_3	H	H	CH_3	4,5-dihydro-5-methylisoxazol-3-yl
7	Cl	SO_2CH_3	H	H	CH_3	4,5-dihydro-5,5-dimethylisoxazol-3-yl
8	Cl	SO_2CH_3	H	H	CH_3	4,5-dihydro-5-ethylisoxazol-3-yl

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No.	R ¹	R ²	R ³	R ⁵	R ⁶	X
9	Cl	SO ₂ CH ₃	H	H	CH ₃	4,5-dihydro-5,5-diethyl-isoxazol-3-yl
10	Cl	SO ₂ CH ₃	H	H	CH ₃	4,5-dihydro-5-chloro-methylisoxazol-3-yl
11	Cl	SCH ₃	H	H	CH ₃	4,5-dihydroisoxazol-3-yl
12	Cl	SO ₂ CH ₃	H	H	CH ₃	4,5-dihydro-5-ethoxy-isoxazol-3-yl
13	Cl	SO ₂ CH ₃	H	H	CH ₃	4,5-dihydro-5-methoxy-isoxazol-3-yl
14	CH ₃	SO ₂ CH ₃	H	H	CH ₃	4,5-dihydroisoxazol-3-yl
15	Cl	SO ₂ CH ₃	H	H	CH ₃	4,5-dihydro-4,5-dimethyl-isoxazol-3-yl
16	Cl	SO ₂ CH ₃	H	H	CH ₃	4,5-dihydro-5-thioethyl-isoxazol-3-yl
17	Cl	SO ₂ CH ₃	H	H	CH ₃	4,5-dihydro-5-trifluoro-methylisoxazol-3-yl
18	SCH ₃	SCH ₃	H	H	CH ₃	4,5-dihydroisocazol-3-yl [sic]
19	Cl	SO ₂ CH ₃	H	H	C ₂ H ₅	2-thiazolyl
20	Cl	SO ₂ CH ₃	H	H	C ₂ H ₅	4,5-dihydroisocazol-3-yl [sic]
21	Cl	SO ₂ CH ₃	H	H	C ₂ H ₅	4,5-dihydro-5-methyl-isoxazol-3-yl [sic]
22	Cl	SO ₂ CH ₃	H	H	C ₂ H ₅	4,5-dihydro-5,5-dimethyl-isoxazol-3-yl
23	Cl	SO ₂ CH ₃	H	H	C ₂ H ₅	4,5-dihydro-5-ethyl-isoxazol-3-yl
24	Cl	SO ₂ CH ₃	H	H	C ₂ H ₅	4,5-dihydro-5,5-diethyl-isoxazol-3-yl
25	Cl	SCH ₃	H	H	C ₂ H ₅	4,5-dihydroisoxazol-3-yl
26	Cl	SO ₂ CH ₃	H	H	C ₂ H ₅	4,5-dihydro-5-chloro-methylisoxazol-3-yl
27	Cl	SO ₂ CH ₃	H	H	C ₂ H ₅	4,5-dihydro-5-ethoxy-isoxazol-3-yl
28	Cl	SO ₂ CH ₃	H	H	C ₂ H ₅	4,5-dihydro-4,5-dimethyl-isoxazol-3-yl
29	CH ₃	SO ₂ CH ₃	H	H	C ₂ H ₅	4,5-dihydroisoxazol-3-yl
30	Cl	SO ₂ CH ₃	H	H	C ₂ H ₅	4,5-dihydro-5-thioethyl-isoxazol-3-yl
31	Cl	SO ₂ CH ₃	H	H	C ₂ H ₅	4,5-dihydro-5-trifluoro-methylisoxazol-3-yl
32	SCH ₃	SCH ₃	H	H	C ₂ H ₅	4,5-dihydroisoxazol-3-yl
33	Cl	SO ₂ CH ₃	H	H	i-C ₄ H ₉	4,5-dihydroisoxazol-3-yl
34	Cl	SO ₂ CH ₃	H	H	CH ₃	3-methylisoxazol-5-yl
35	Cl	SO ₂ CH ₃	H	H	C ₂ H ₅	3-methylisoxazol-5-yl

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No.	R ¹	R ²	R ³	R ⁵	R ⁶	X
36	CH ₃	SO ₂ CH ₃	H	H	C ₂ H ₅	3-methylisoxazol-5-yl
37	CH ₃	SO ₂ CH ₃	H	CH ₃	CH ₃	4,5-dihydroisoxazol-3-yl
38	CH ₃	Cl	H	CH ₃	CH ₃	4,5-dihydroisoxazol-3-yl
39	CH ₃	SO ₂ CH ₃	H	H	CH ₃	4,5-dihydro-5-methyl-isoxazol-3-yl [sic]
40	CH ₃	SO ₂ CH ₃	H	H	CH ₃	4,5-dihydro-5,5-dimethyl-isoxazol-3-yl
41	CH ₃	SO ₂ CH ₃	H	H	CH ₃	4,5-dihydro-5-ethyl-isoxazol-3-yl
42	CH ₃	SO ₂ CH ₃	H	H	CH ₃	4,5-dihydro-5,5-ethyl-isoxazol-3-yl
43	CH ₃	SO ₂ CH ₃	H	H	CH ₃	4,5-dihydroisoxazol-3-yl
44	CH ₃	SO ₂ CH ₃	H	H	CH ₃	4,5-dihydro-4,5-dimethyl-isoxazol-3-yl
45	CH ₃	Cl	H	H	C ₂ H ₅	4,5-dihydroisoxazol-3-yl
46	CH ₃	SO ₂ CH ₃	H	H	C ₂ H ₅	4,5-dihydro-5-methyl-isoxazol-3-yl
47	CH ₃	SO ₂ CH ₃	H	H	C ₂ H ₅	4,5-dihydro-5,5-dimethyl-isoxazol-3-yl
48	CH ₃	SO ₂ CH ₃	H	H	C ₂ H ₅	4,5-dihydro-5-ethyl-isoxazol-3-yl [sic]
49	CH ₃	SO ₂ CH ₃	H	H	C ₂ H ₅	4,5-dihydro-4,5-dimethyl-isoxazol-3-yl
50	CH ₃	SO ₂ CH ₃	H	H	i-C ₄ H ₉	4,5-dihydroisoxazol-3-yl

Very especially preferred are the compounds

4-[2-chloro-3-(4,5-dihydroisoxazol-3-yl)-4-methylsulfonylbenzoyl]-1-methyl-5-hydroxy-1H-pyrazole,

4-[2-methyl-3-(4,5-dihydroisoxazol-3-yl)-4-methylsulfonylbenzoyl]-1-methyl-5-hydroxy-1H-pyrazole,

4-[2-chloro-3-(3-methylisoxazol-5-yl)-4-methylsulfonylbenzoyl]-1-methyl-5-hydroxy-1H-pyrazole,

or their environmentally compatible salts.

Suitable environmentally compatible salts are salts of, for example, alkali metals, alkaline earth metals, ammonia or amines.

Suitable nitrogenous fertilizers b) are ammonia and ammonium salts, urea, thiourea and mixtures of these.

Examples of suitable fertilizers are

aqueous ammonia [sic] solution, ammonium nitrate, ammonium sulfate, ammonium hydrogen sulfate, ammonium chloride, ammonium acetate, ammonium formate, ammonium oxalate, ammonium carbonate, ammonium hydrogen carbonate, ammonium nitrate, ammonium thiosulfate, ammonium phosphate, ammonium hydrogen diphosphate, ammonium dihydrogen monophosphate, ammonium sodium hydrogen phosphate, ammonium thiocyanate, urea and thiourea, and mixtures of these, and also ammonium nitrate/urea solutions (UAN or AHL solutions).

Preferred nitrogenous fertilizers are

urea, ammonium nitrate, ammonium nitrate/urea solutions, ammonium sulfate, ammonium phosphate, ammonium hydrogen diphosphate, ammonium dihydrogen monophosphate and ammonium sodium hydrogen phosphate.

Very especially preferred are

urea, ammonium nitrate and ammonium nitrate/urea solutions. The ammonium nitrate/urea solutions preferably have a total nitrogen content of 28 - 33% (w/w) and are commercially available from BASF, for example under the brand name Ensol® 28.

Suitable adjuvants c) are vegetable oils which can be partially hydrogenated and hydrogenated, modified vegetable oils, mineral oils, alcohol alkoxylates, alcohol ethoxylates, alkylated EO/PO block copolymers, alkylphenol ethoxylates, polyols, EO/PO block copolymers, organosilicon compounds, alkylglycosides, [sic] alkyl polyglycosides, alkyl sulfates, sulfated alcohol alkoxylates, alkylarylsulfonates, alkylsulfonates, dialkylsulfosuccinates, phosphated [sic] alcohol alkoxylates, fatty amine alkoxylates, esters, carboxylates, ester ethoxylates, dialkyl adipates, dicarboxylic acid derivatives, such as alkenylsuccinic anhydride condensates with polyalkylene oxides or polyhydroxyamines; dialkyl phthalates, [sic] ethoxylated sorbitan esters of natural fatty acids and ethoxylated glycerides of natural fatty acids.

Preferred adjuvants are

alcohol alkoxylates, such as alkyl ethers of EO/PO copolymers, for example Plurafac® (BASF AG), Synperionic® LF (ICI), alcohol ethoxylates, the alcohol being a C₈-C₁₈-alcohol of

- synthetic or natural origin which may be either linear or branched. The ethoxylate moiety contains on average 3-20 moles of ethylene oxide, depending on the alcohol used. Products used are, for example, Lutensol® ON, TO, AO and A by BASF,
- 5 alkylarylsulfonates, such as nonylphenyl ethoxylates with 5-15 moles of EO,
- polyols such as polyethylene glycol or polypropylene glycol, EO/PO block copolymers such as, for example, Pluronic® PE (BASF AG) or Synperionic® PE (ICI),
- 10 organosilicon compounds,
- alkyl polyglycosides, such as, for example, Agrimul® (Henkel KGA), AG 6202 (Akzo-Nobel), Atplus® 450 (ICI) or Lutensol® GD 70 (BASF AG),
- fatty amine alkoxyates, such as, for example, Ethomeen® and
- 15 Armobleem® by Akzo Nobel,
- esters of natural and synthetic fatty acids, such as, for example, methyl oleates or methyl cocoates,
- dialkyl adipates,
- ethoxylated sorbitan esters of natural fatty acids, such as, for
- 20 example, Tween® by ICI Surfactants (Tween® 20, Tweeno [sic] 85, Tween® 80),
- ethoxylated glycerides of natural fatty acids, such as, for example, Glycerox® by Croda.
- 25 Other examples are found in:
- McCutcheon's; Emulsifiers and Detergents,
Volume 1: Emulsifiers and Detergents 1994
North American Edition;
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The herbicidal mixture according to the invention comprises the following amounts of the components a) to c):

10 0.5 to 90% by weight of the 3-heterocyclyl-substituted benzoyl derivative a);

5 to 94.5% by weight of the nitrogenous fertilizer b);

15 5 to 50% by weight of the adjuvant c).

Preferred weight ratios are:

20 0.5 to 50% by weight of the 3-heterocyclyl-substituted benzoyl derivative a);

5 to 90% by weight of the nitrogenous fertilizer b);

25 5 to 50% by weight of the adjuvant c).

The components together add up to 100% by weight.

30 The individual components a) to c) of the herbicidal mixture according to the invention can be formulated and packaged jointly or individually. Furthermore, it is possible to formulate and pack the components a) together with b), or a) together with c).

35 The practitioner uses the herbicidal mixture or its individual components for use in the spray tank.

For this purpose, the herbicidal mixture is diluted with water, adding, if appropriate, other auxiliaries and additives. However,
40 the practitioner may also mix the individual components a) to c) of the herbicidal mixture according to the invention himself in the spray tank and, if appropriate, add further auxiliaries and additives (tank mix method).

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For the tank mix method, the components a) to c) are mixed in the spray tank and made up to the desired use concentration with water.

- 5 The following adjuvants have proved advantageous for the tank mix method:

10 mineral oils, liquid paraffins, vegetable oils, hydrogenated or methylated vegetable oils, such as, for example, soya oil, rapeseed oil, sunflower oil, esters and salts of natural carboxylic acids, such as, for example, methyl oleate, methylated seed oils, nonionic surfactants, such as ethoxylated alcohols, ethoxylated phenols, fatty amine ethoxylates, and mixtures of these.

15 Further auxiliaries and additives may be added for better processing. The following components have proved themselves as auxiliaries and additives:

20 solvents, antifoams, buffers, thickeners, spreading agents, compatibility-enhancing agents.

25 Examples and brands of adjuvants, auxiliaries and additives are described in Farm Chemicals Handbook 1997; Meister Publishing 1997 p. C10 "adjuvant" or 1998 Weed Control Manual p. 86.

30 The mixture according to the invention is suitable as herbicide. The herbicidal mixture effects very good control of vegetation on non-crop areas, especially at high rates of application. In crops such as wheat, rice, maize, soybeans and cotton it acts against broad-leaved weeds and grass weeds without damaging the crop plants substantially. This effect is observed especially at low rates of application.

35 Depending on the application method in question the herbicidal mixture can additionally be employed in a further number of crop plants for eliminating undesirable plants. Examples of suitable crops are the following:

45 Allium cepa, Ananas comosus, Arachis hypogaea, Asparagus officinalis, Beta vulgaris spec. altissima, Beta vulgaris spec. rapa, Brassica napus var. napus, Brassica napus var. napobrassica, Brassica rapa var. silvestris, Camellia sinensis, Carthamus tinctorius, Carya illinoensis, Citrus limon, Citrus sinensis, Coffea arabica (Coffea canephora, Coffea liberica),

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Cucumis sativus, Cynodon dactylon, Daucus carota, Elaeis guineensis, Fragaria vesca, Glycine max, Gossypium hirsutum, (Gossypium arboreum, Gossypium herbaceum, Gossypium vitifolium), Helianthus annuus, Hevea brasiliensis, Hordeum vulgare, Humulus lupulus, Ipomoea batatas, Juglans regia, Lens culinaris, Linum usitatissimum, Lycopersicon lycopersicum, Malus spec., Manihot esculenta, Medicago sativa, Musa spec., Nicotiana tabacum (N.rustica), Olea europaea, Oryza sativa, Phaseolus lunatus, Phaseolus vulgaris, Picea abies, Pinus spec., Pisum sativum, 10 Prunus avium, Prunus persica, Pyrus communis, Ribes sylvestre, Ricinus communis, Saccharum officinarum, Secale cereale, Solanum tuberosum, Sorghum bicolor (s. vulgare), Theobroma cacao, Trifolium pratense, Triticum aestivum, Triticum durum, Vicia faba, Vitis vinifera and Zea mays.

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Moreover, the herbicidal mixture can also be used in crops which tolerate the action of herbicides due to breeding including genetic engineering methods.

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The herbicidal mixture can be applied pre- or post-emergence. If the herbicidal mixture is less well tolerated by certain crop plants, application techniques may be used in which the herbicidal mixture is sprayed, with the aid of the spray apparatus, in such a way that it comes into little contact, if 25 any, with the leaves of the sensitive crop plants while reaching the leaves of undesirable plants which grow underneath, or the bare soil (post-directed, lay-by).

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The herbicidal mixture can be employed, for example, in the form of directly sprayable aqueous solutions, powders, suspensions, also highly-concentrated aqueous, oily or other suspensions or dispersions, emulsions, oil dispersions, pastes, dusts, materials for spreading or granules, by means of spraying, atomizing, 35 dusting, spreading or pouring. The use forms depend on the intended purposes; in any case, they should guarantee the finest possible distribution of the herbicidal mixture according to the invention.

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Suitable inert auxiliaries are essentially: mineral oil fractions of medium to high boiling point such as kerosene and diesel oil, furthermore coal tar oils and oils of vegetable or animal origin, aliphatic, cyclic and aromatic hydrocarbons, e.g. paraffin, tetrahydronaphthalene, alkylated naphthalenes and their 45 derivatives, alkylated benzenes and their derivatives, alcohols such as methanol, ethanol, propanol, butanol and cyclohexanol, ketones such as cyclohexanone, or strongly polar solvents, e.g.

amines such as N-methylpyrrolidone and water.

Aqueous use forms can be prepared from emulsion concentrates, suspensions, pastes, wettable powders or water-dispersible
5 granules by adding water. To prepare emulsions, pastes or oil dispersions, the herbicidal mixture, as such or dissolved in an oil or solvent, can be homogenized in water by means of wetting agent, tackifier, dispersant or emulsifier. However, it is also possible to prepare concentrates composed of active substance,
10 wetting agent, tackifier, dispersant or emulsifier and, if appropriate, solvent or oil, and these concentrates are suitable for dilution with water.

Suitable surfactants are the alkali metal, alkaline earth metal
15 and ammonium salts of aromatic sulfonic acids, e.g. lignosulfonic acid, phenolsulfonic acid, naphthalenesulfonic acid and dibutyl naphthalenesulfonic acid, and of fatty acids, of alkyl- and alkylarylsulfonates, of alkyl sulfates, lauryl ether sulfates and fatty alcohol sulfates, and salts of sulfated hexa-, hepta-
20 and octadecanols, and of fatty alcohol glycol ether, condensates of sulfonated naphthalene and its derivatives with formaldehyde, condensates of naphthalene, or of the naphthalenesulfonic acids, with phenol and formaldehyde, polyoxyethylene octylphenyl ether, ethoxylated isooctyl-, octyl- or nonylphenol, alkylphenyl and
25 tributylphenyl polyglycol ethers, alkylaryl polyether alcohols, isotridecyl alcohol, fatty alcohol/ethylene oxide condensates, ethoxylated castor oil, polyoxyethylene alkyl ethers or polyoxypropylene alkyl ethers, lauryl alcohol polyglycol ether acetate, sorbitol esters, lignin-sulfite waste liquors or
30 methylcellulose.

Powders, materials for spreading and dusts can be prepared by mixing or concomitantly grinding the herbicidal mixture with a
35 solid carrier.

Granules, e.g. coated granules, impregnated granules and homogeneous granules, can be prepared by binding the active ingredients to solid carriers. Solid carriers are mineral earths
40 such as silicas, silica gels, silicates, talc, kaolin, limestone, lime, chalk, bole, loess, clay, dolomite, diatomaceous earth, calcium sulfate, magnesium sulfate, magnesium oxide, ground synthetic materials, fertilizers such as ammonium sulfate, ammonium phosphate, ammonium nitrate, ureas and products of
45 vegetable origin such as cereal meal, tree bark meal, wood meal and nutshell meal, cellulose powder or other solid carriers.

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The concentrations of the herbicidal mixture in the ready-to-use products can be varied within wide ranges. In general, the formulations comprise approximately from 0.001 to 98% by weight, preferably 0.01 to 95% by weight, of the herbicidal mixture. The components of the mixture are employed in a purity of from 90% to 100%, preferably 95% to 100% (according to NMR spectrum).

The herbicidal mixture according to the invention can be formulated, for example, as follows:

A) Concentrates for preparing the mixture according to the invention

15 1) Suspension concentrate

108 g of 4-[2-chloro-3-(4,5-dihydroisoxazol-3-yl)-4-methylsulfonylbenzoyl]-1-methyl-5-hydroxy-1H-pyrazole (technical grade 92%), 20 g/l of Wettol® D1 by BASF, 30 g of Pluronic® PE 10500 by BASF AG, 3 g of Kelzan®, 1.4 g of Kathon® MK, 70 g of 1,2-propylene glycol and 5 g of silicone emulsion by Wacker were made up to 1 liter with water and the mixture was subsequently ground in a ball mill to a particle size of 60% < 2 microns.

25 2) Suspension concentrate

503 g of 4-[2-chloro-3-(4,5-dihydroisoxazol-3-yl)-4-methylsulfonylbenzoyl]-1-methyl-5-hydroxy-1H-pyrazole (technical grade 99%), 20 g/l of Wettol® DI [sic] by BASF, 30 g of Pluronic® PE 10500 by BASF AG, 3 g of Kelzan®, 1.4 g of Kathon® MK, 70 g of 1,2-propylene glycol and 5 g of silicone emulsion by Wacker were made up to 1 liter with water and the mixture was subsequently ground in a ball mill to a particle size of 60% < 2 microns.

35 3) Water-soluble concentrate of component a)

100 g of the active ingredient 4-[2-chloro-3-(4,5-dihydroisoxazol-3-yl)-4-methylsulfonylbenzoyl]-1-methyl-5-hydroxy-1H-pyrazole (99% technical grade) are dispersed in approx. 800 ml of water. The active ingredient is neutralized with dilute potassium hydroxide solution (KOH), and the formulation brought to pH 8.5. The product is then made up to 1 liter.

B) Herbicidal mixtures according to the invention

4) Suspension concentrate

- 5 100 ml of the concentrate prepared as described under 2) were mixed with 220 ml of water and 360 ml of ammonium nitrate/urea solution (ENSOL[®] 28, BASF AG). Using a high-speed stirrer, a solution of 14 g of a calcium dodecylbenzenesulfonate (Wettol[®] EM 1, BASF AG), 14 g of a castor oil ethoxylate with 40 moles of EO
10 (Wettol[®] EM 31, BASF AG) and 250 ml of a dioctyl adipate (Plastomoll[®] DOA, BASF AG) were incorporated into this mixture to give an emulsion. This gave a stable suspension of the
15 4-[2-chloro-3-(4,5-dihydroisoxazol-3-yl)-4-methylsulfonylbenzoyl]-1-methyl-5-hydroxy-1H-pyrazole with an active ingredient content of 50 g/l.

5) Suspension concentrate

- 20 100 ml of the concentrate prepared as described under 2) were mixed with 220 ml of water and 360 ml of ammonium nitrate/urea solution (ENSOL[®] 28, BASF AG). Using a high-speed stirrer, 250 ml of methyl oleate were incorporated into this mixture to give an emulsion. This gave a stable suspension of the
25 4-[2-chloro-3-(4,s-dihydroisoxazol-3-yl)-4-methylsulfonylbenzoyl]-1-methyl-5-hydroxy-1H-pyrazole [sic] with an active ingredient content of 50 g/l.

6) Water-dispersible granules

- 30 50 g of the active ingredient 4-[2-chloro-3-(4,s-dihydroisoxazol-3-yl)-4-methylsulfonylbenzoyl]-1-methyl-5-hydroxy-1H-pyrazole [sic] (99%, technical grade), 50 g of naphthalenesulfonic acid/formaldehyde condensate, 10 g of sodium ligninsulfonate and
35 600 g of ammonium sulfate are mixed intimately and ground in an air-jet mill. In a mixer, the resulting powder is mixed with 31 g of ethylhexyl glucoside (65% strength aqueous solution). The mixture is extruded in an extruder (DGL-1 by Fitzpatrick, Belgium, aperture diameter 0.8 mm). If appropriate, more liquid
40 is added to achieve extrudability. The granules are dried, and water-dispersible granules with an active ingredient content of 5% are obtained.

7) Water-soluble concentrate

50 g of the active ingredient 4-[2-chloro-3-(4,5-dihydroisoxazol-3-yl)-4-methylsulfonylbenzoyl]-1-methyl-5-hydroxy-1H-pyrazole (99%, technical grade) are dispersed in 200 ml of water and the mixture is neutralized with dilute potassium hydroxide solution (KOH). This mixture is treated with 360 g of ammonium nitrate/urea solution (ENSOL® 28, BASF AG) and 250 g of Lutensol® ON 80 (BASF AG). The product is brought to pH 8.5 using KOH and made up to 1 liter with water.

8) Water-soluble concentrate

100 g of the active ingredient 4-[2-chloro-3-(4,5-dihydroisoxazol-3-yl)-4-methylsulfonylbenzoyl]-1-methyl-5-hydroxy-1H-pyrazole (99% technical grade) are dispersed in approx. 300 ml of water. The active ingredient is neutralized with dilute potassium hydroxide solution (KOH) and the formulation is brought to pH 8.5. 500 g of AG 6202 are incorporated into the formulation by stirring. After homogenization, the pH is rechecked and, if necessary, corrected. The product is then made up to 1 liter.

To widen the spectrum of action and to achieve synergistic effects, the herbicidal mixture can be mixed and applied jointly with a large number of representatives of other groups of herbicidally or growth-regulatory active ingredients. Suitable components in mixtures are, for example, 1,2,4-thiadiazoles, 1,3,4-thiadiazoles, amides, aminophosphoric acid and its derivatives, aminotriazoles, anilides, (het)-aryloxyalkanoic acids and their derivatives, benzoic acid and its derivatives, benzothiadiazinones, 2-aryloxy-1,3-cyclohexandiones, hetaryl aryl ketones, benzylisoxazolidinones, meta-CF₃-phenyl derivatives, carbamates, quinolinecarboxylic acid and its derivatives, dihydrobenzofurans, dihydrofuran-3-ones, dinitroanilines, dinitrophenols, diphenyl ethers, dipyridyls, halocarboxylic acids and their derivatives, ureas, 3-phenyluracils, imidazoles, imidazolinones, N-phenyl-3,4,5,6-tetrahydrophthalimides, oxadiazoles, oxiranes, phenols, aryloxy- or heteroaryloxyphenoxypropionic esters, phenylacetic acid and its derivatives, phenylpropionic acid and its derivatives, pyrazoles, phenylpyrazoles, pyridazines, pyridinecarboxylic acid and its derivatives, pyrimidyl ethers, sulfonylureas, triazines, triazinones, triazolinones, triazolecarboxamides and uracils.

Moreover, it may be advantageous to apply the herbicidal mixture, alone or in combination with other herbicides, in the form of a mixture with additional other crop protection agents, for example with pesticides or agents for controlling phytopathogenic fungi or bacteria. Also of interest is the miscibility with mineral salt solutions which are employed for treating nutritional and trace element deficiencies.

10 The application rate of herbicidal mixture amounts to 0.001 to 1.0, preferably 0.01 to 0.5, kg/ha active substance (a. s.), based on the pure components of the herbicidal mixture, depending on the intended aim, the season, the target plants and the growth stage.

15 Use example

The herbicidal action of the compositions according to the invention was demonstrated by greenhouse experiments:

20 The culture containers used were plastic pots containing loamy sand with approximately 3.0% of humus as substrate. The seeds of the test plants were sown separately for each species.

25 For the pre-emergence treatment, the herbicidal mixture, suspended or emulsified in water, was applied directly after sowing by means of finely distributing nozzles. The containers were irrigated gently to promote germination and growth and subsequently covered with translucent plastic hoods until the
30 plants had rooted. This cover caused uniform germination of the test plants unless this was adversely affected by the herbicidal mixture.

35 For the post-emergence treatment, the test plants were grown to a plant height of from 3 to 15 cm, depending on the plant habit, and only then treated with the herbicidal mixture which had been suspended or emulsified in water. To this end, the test plants were either sown directly and grown in the same containers, or
40 they were first grown separately as seedlings and transplanted into the test containers a few days prior to treatment.

Depending on the species, the plants were kept at 10 - 25°C or 20 - 35°C. The test period extended over 2 to 4 weeks. During this
45 time, the plants were tended, and their response to the individual treatments was evaluated.

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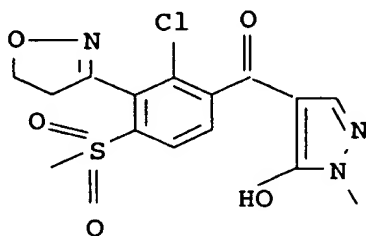
Evaluation was carried out using a scale of from 0 to 100. 100 means no emergence of the plants, or complete destruction of at least the aerial parts, and 0 means no damage or normal course of growth.

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The plants used in the greenhouse experiments belonged to the following species:

10	Abbreviation	Scientific name	Common name
	ABUTH	Abutilon theophrasti	velvetleaf
	CHEAL	Chenopodium album	lambsquarters (goosefoot)
	ECHCG	Echinochloa crus-galli	barnyardgrass
15	POLPE	Polygonum persicaria	lady's thumb
	SETVI	Setaria viridis	green foxtail
	ZEAMX	Zea mays	corn

20 Example 1



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Table 1

5	Selective herbicidal activity post-emergence in the greenhouse			
			Phytotoxicity	
	Active ingredient	Rate of a.s. in kg/ha	ZEAMX	CHEAL
	EX. 1	0.0078	0	20
10	EX. 1 + Pluronic® PE 6400	0.0078 + 0.25	0	90
15	EX. 1 + Pluronic® PE 6400 + ENSOL® 28	0.0078 + 0.25 + 0.375	0	95

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Table 2

25	Selective herbicidal activity post-emergence in the greenhouse			
			Phytotoxicity	
	Active ingredient	Rate of a.s. in kg/ha	ZEAMX	CHEAL
	EX. 1	0.0625	0	50
30	EX. 1 + Pluronic® PE 6800	0.0625 + 0.25	0	75
35	EX. 1 + Pluronic® PE 6800 + ENSOL® 28	0.0625 + 0.25 + 0.375	0	80

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Table 3

5	Selective herbicidal activity post-emergence in the greenhouse		
			Phytotoxicity
	Active ingredient	Rate of a.s. in kg/ha	ECHCG
	EX. 1	0.0625	50
10	EX. 1 + Agrimul® PG 2067	0.0625 + 0.25	75
15	EX. 1 + Agrimul® PG 2067 + ENSOL® 28	0.0625 + 0.25 + 0.375	80

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Table 4

25	Selective herbicidal activity post-emergence in the greenhouse		
			Phytotoxicity
	Active ingredient	Rate of a.s. in kg/ha	ABUTH
	EX. 1	0.0156	20
30	EX. 1 + Agrimul® PG 2067	0.0156 + 0.25	70
35	EX. 1 + Agrimul® PG 2067 + ENSOL® 28	0.0156 + 0.25 + 0.375	80

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Table 5

5	Selective herbicidal activity post-emergence in the greenhouse			
			Phytotoxicity	
	Active ingredient	Rate of a.s. in kg/ha	ECHCG	ABUTH
	EX. 1	0.0312	030	75
10	EX. 1 + Agrimul® PG 600	0.0312 + 0.25	40	80
15	EX. 1 + Agrimul® PG 600 + ENSOL® 28	0.0312 + 0.25 + 0.375	70	85

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Table 6

25	Selective herbicidal activity post-emergence in the greenhouse		
			Phytotoxicity
	Active ingredient	Rate of a.s. in kg/ha	CHEAL
	EX. 1	0.0078	20
30	EX. 1 + Agrimul® PG 600	0.0078 + 0.25	70
35	EX. 1 + Agrimul® PG 600 + ENSOL® 28	0.0078 + 0.25 + 0.375	98

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Table 7

5	Selective herbicidal activity post-emergence in the greenhouse		
			Phytotoxicity
10	Active ingredient	Rate of a.s. in kg/ha	CHEAL
	EX. 1	0.0156	20
15	EX. 1 + Lutensol® GD 70	0.0156 + 0.25	90
	EX. 1 + Lutensol® PG 600 + ENSOL® 28	0.0156 + 0.25 + 0.375	95

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Table 8

25	Selective herbicidal activity post-emergence in the greenhouse			
			Phytotoxicity	
30	Active ingredient	Rate of a.s. in kg/ha	ZEAMX	ECHCG
	EX. 1	0.0625	0	50
35	EX. 1 + AG® 6202	0.0625 + 0.25	0	60
	EX. 1 + AG® 6202 + ENSOL® 28	0.0625 + 0.25 + 0.375	0	80

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Table 9

5	Selective herbicidal activity post-emergence in the greenhouse		
			Phytotoxicity
	Active ingredient	Rate of a.s. in kg/ha	ECHCG
	EX. 1	0.0625	50
10	EX. 1 + Lutensol® ON 30	0.0625 + 0.25	90
15	EX. 1 + Lutensol® ON 30 + ENSOL® 28	0.0625 + 0.25 + 0.375	100

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Table 10

25	Selective herbicidal activity post-emergence in the greenhouse		
			Phytotoxicity
	Active ingredient	Rate of a.s. in kg/ha	CHEAL
	EX. 1	0.0078	20
30	EX. 1 + Lutensol® ON 80	0.0078 + 0.25	80
35	EX. 1 + Lutensol® ON 80 + ENSOL® 28	0.0078 + 0.25 + 0.375	98

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Table 11

5	Selective herbicidal activity post-emergence in the greenhouse			
			Phytotoxicity	
	Active ingredient	Rate of a.s. in kg/ha	SETVI	CHEAL
	EX. 1	0.0078	30	20
10	EX. 1 + Lutensol® ON 110	0.0078 + 0.25	40	60
15	EX. 1 + Lutensol® ON 110 + ENSOL® 28	0.0078 + 0.25 + 0.375	95	95

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Table 12

25	Selective herbicidal activity post-emergence in the greenhouse		
			Phytotoxicity
	Active ingredient	Rate of a.s. in kg/ha	CHEAL
	EX. 1	0.0156	20
30	EX. 1 + Lutensol® TO 8	0.0156 + 0.25	50
35	EX. 1 + Lutensol® TO 8 + ENSOL® 28	0.0156 + 0.25 + 0.375	80

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Table 13

5	Selective herbicidal activity post-emergence in the greenhouse		
			Phytotoxicity
	Active ingredient	Rate of a.s. in kg/ha	CHEAL
	EX. 1	0.0156	20
10	EX. 1 + Pluriol® E 600	0.0156 + 0.25	60
15	EX. 1 + Pluriol® E 600 + ENSOL® 28	0.0156 + 0.25 + 0.375	98

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Table 14

25	Selective herbicidal activity post-emergence in the greenhouse		
			Phytotoxicity
	Active ingredient	Rate of a.s. in kg/ha	CHEAL
	EX. 1	0.0156	20
30	EX. 1 + Pluriol® E 4000	0.0156 + 0.25	90
35	EX. 1 + Pluriol® E 4000 + ENSOL® 28	0.0156 + 0.25 + 0.375	98

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Table 15

5	Selective herbicidal activity post-emergence in the greenhouse		
			Phytotoxicity
	Active ingredient	Rate of a.s. in kg/ha	ECHCG
	EX. 1	0.0625	50
10	EX. 1 + Glycerox® L 8	0.0625 + 0.25	85
15	EX. 1 + Glycerox® L 8 + ENSOL® 28	0.0625 + 0.25 + 0.375	90

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Table 16

25	Selective herbicidal activity post-emergence in the greenhouse		
			Phytotoxicity
	Active ingredient	Rate of a.s. in kg/ha	ABUTH
	EX. 1	0.0156	20
30	EX. 1 + Glycerox® L 8	0.0156 + 0.25	70
35	EX. 1 + Glycerox® L 8 + ENSOL® 28	0.0156 + 0.25 + 0.375	80

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Table 17

5	Selective herbicidal activity post-emergence in the greenhouse			
			Phytotoxicity	
	Active ingredient	Rate of a.s. in kg/ha	SETVI	POLPE
	EX. 1	0.0078	30	20
10	EX. 1 + Glycerox® HE	0.0078 + 0.25	20	40
15	EX. 1 + Glycerox® HE + ENSOL® 28	0.0078 + 0.25 + 0.375	95	95

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Table 18

25	Selective herbicidal activity post-emergence in the greenhouse		
			Phytotoxicity
	Active ingredient	Rate of a.s. in kg/ha	POLPE
	EX. 1	0.0078	70
30	EX. 1 + Plastomoll® DOA	0.0078 + 0.25	80
35	EX. 1 + Plastomoll® DOA + ENSOL® 28	0.0078 + 0.25 + 0.375	95

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Table 19

5	Selective herbicidal activity post-emergence in the greenhouse			
			Phytotoxicity	
	Active ingredient	Rate of a.s. in kg/ha	SETVI	POLPE
	EX. 1	0.0078	40	70
10	EX. 1 + Lutensol® TO 15	0.0078 + 0.25	60	80
15	EX. 1 + Lutensol® TO 15 + ENSOL® 28	0.0078 + 0.25 + 0.375	95	90

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Table 20

25	Selective herbicidal activity post-emergence in the greenhouse			
			Phytotoxicity	
	Active ingredient	Rate of a.s. in kg/ha	ZEAMX	SETVI
	EX. 1	0.0078	0	40
30	EX. 1 + Lutensol® AT 11	0.0078 + 0.25	0	55
35	EX. 1 + Lutensol® AT 11 + ENSOL® 28	0.0078 + 0.25 + 0.375	0	95

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Table 21

5	Selective herbicidal activity post-emergence in the greenhouse			
	Active ingredient	Rate of a.s. in kg/ha	Phytotoxicity	
			SETVI	POLPE
	EX. 1	0.0078	40	70
10	EX. 1 + Lutensol® AT 25	0.0078 + 0.25	45	90
15	EX. 1 + Lutensol® AT 25 + ENSOL® 28	0.0078 + 0.25 + 0.375	90	95

Legend to the adjuvants employed:

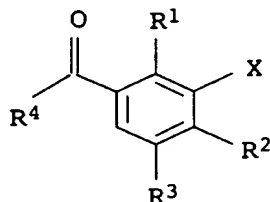
20	Name		
	Pluronic® PE 6400	BASF AG	EO/PO block copolymer
	Pluronic® PE 6800	BASF AG	EO/PO block copolymer
	Agrimul® PG 2067	Henkel	alkyl glycoside APG
	Agrimul® PG 600	Henkel	alkyl glycoside APG
25	AG® 6202	Akzo	alkyl glycoside APG
	Lutensol® GD 70	BASF AG	alkyl glycoside APG
	Lutensol® ON 30	BASF AG	alkyl ethoxylate
	Lutensol® ON 80	BASF AG	alkyl ethoxylate
30	Lutensol® ON 110	BASF AG	alkyl ethoxylate
	Lutensol® TO 8	BASF AG	alkyl ethoxylate
	Lutensol® TO 15	BASF AG	alkyl ethoxylate
	Lutensol® AT 11	BASF AG	alkyl ethoxylate
	Lutensol® AT 25	BASF AG	alkyl ethoxylate
35	Pluriol® E 600	BASF AG	polyethylene glycol
	Pluriol® E 4000	BASF AG	polyethylene glycol
	Plastomoll® DOA	BASF AG	dioctyl adipate
	Glycerox® L 8	Croda	ethoxylated monoglyceride
	Glycerox® HE	Croda	ethoxylated monoglyceride
40	ENSOL® 28	BASF AG	ammonium nitrate/urea solution (total nitrogen 28%)

The values in Tables 1 to 21 demonstrate clearly the synergistic effect of the herbicidal mixture according to the invention in comparison with the corresponding two-way mixtures and in
45 comparison with the pure active ingredient while simultaneously being highly selective in the crop plant maize.

We claim:

1. A herbicidal mixture comprising

a) a herbicidally active amount of a 3-heterocyclyl-substituted benzoyl derivative of the formula I



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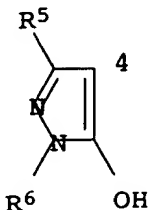
in which the variables have the following meanings:

R^1, R^2 are hydrogen, halogen, C_1 - C_6 -alkyl, C_1 - C_6 -alkylthio, C_1 - C_6 -alkylsulfinyl, C_1 - C_6 -alkylsulfonyl, C_1 - C_6 -haloalkyl, C_1 - C_6 -alkoxy, C_1 - C_6 -haloalkoxy;

R^3 is hydrogen, halogen, C_1 - C_6 -alkyl;

X is a heterocycle from amongst the group consisting of isoxazolyl, 4,5-dihydroisoxazolyl and thiazolyl, it being possible for the heterocycle to be optionally monosubstituted or polysubstituted by halogen, C_1 - C_6 -alkyl, C_1 - C_4 -alkoxy, C_1 - C_4 -haloalkyl, C_1 - C_4 -haloalkoxy, C_1 - C_4 -alkylthio;

R^4 is a pyrazole of the formula II



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which is linked in the 4-position and where

R⁵ is hydrogen or C₁-C₆-alkyl,

R⁶ is C₁-C₆-alkyl,

5 or their environmentally compatible salts;

b) a nitrogenous fertilizer in a synergistically effective amount and

10 c) an adjuvant in a synergistically effective amount.

2. A herbicidal mixture as claimed in claim 1, comprising a
15 3-heterocyclyl-substituted benzoyl derivative of the formula I as claimed in claim 1 where R³ is hydrogen.

3. A herbicidal mixture as claimed in claim 1 or 2, comprising a
20 3-heterocyclyl-substituted benzoyl derivative of the formula I as claimed in claim 1, where

R¹, R² are halogen, C₁-C₆-alkyl, C₁-C₆-alkylthio, C₁-C₆-alkyl-sulfinyl, C₁-C₆-alkylsulfonyl.

25 4. A herbicidal mixture as claimed in any one of claims 1 to 3, comprising a 3-heterocyclyl-substituted benzoyl derivative of the formula I as claimed in claim 1 where X is isoxazolyl and 4,5-dihydroisoxazolyl, each of which can optionally be substituted by C₁-C₆-alkyl.

30 5. A herbicidal mixture as claimed in any one of claims 1 to 4, comprising a 3-heterocyclyl-substituted benzoyl derivative of the formula I as claimed in claim 1 where X is
35 isoxazol-5-yl, 3-methylisoxazol-5-yl,
4,5-dihydroisoxazol-3-yl, 4,5-dihydro-5-methylisoxazol-3-yl,
4,5-dihydro-5-ethylisoxazol-3-yl,
4,5-dihydro-4,5-dimethylisoxazol-3-yl.

40 6. A herbicidal mixture as claimed in claim 1, comprising 4-[2-chloro-3-(4,5-dihydroisoxazol-3-yl)-4-methylsulfonylbenzoyl]-1-methyl-5-hydroxy-1H-pyrazole.

45 7. A herbicidal mixture as claimed in claim 1, comprising 4-[2-methyl-3-(4,5-dihydroisoxazol-3-yl)-4-methylsulfonylbenzoyl]-1-methyl-5-hydroxy-1H-pyrazole.

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8. A herbicidal mixture as claimed in any one of claims 1 to 9 [sic], comprising a nitrogenous fertilizer b) selected from the series consisting of ammonia, ammonium salts, urea, thiourea and mixtures of these.
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9. A herbicidal mixture as claimed in any one of claims 1 to 10 [sic], comprising
- 10 0.5 - 90% by weight of the 3-heterocyclyl-substituted benzoyl derivative a);
- 5 - 94.5% by weight of the nitrogenous fertilizer b);
- 15 5 - 50% by weight of the adjuvant c).
10. A process for the preparation of a herbicidal mixture as claimed in any one of claims 1 to 11 [sic], which comprises mixing the components a) to c) of the herbicidal mixture with
- 20 each other.
11. A method of controlling undesirable vegetation, which comprises allowing a herbicidally active amount of the components a) to c) of the herbicidal mixture as claimed in
- 25 any one of claims 1 to 11 [sic] to act on the plants or their environment, either separately or jointly.
12. A method of controlling undesirable vegetation, which comprises mixing a herbicidally active amount of the components a) to c) of the herbicidal mixture as claimed in
- 30 any one of claims 1 to 11 [sic] with each other and allowing the mixture to act on the plants or their environment.

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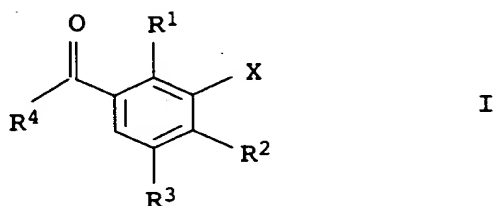
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Herbicide mixture comprising a 3-heterocyclyl-substituted benzoyl derivative, a nitrogenous fertilizer and an adjuvant.

5 Abstract

A herbicide mixture comprising

- 10 a) a herbicidally active amount of a 3-heterocyclyl-substituted benzoyl derivative of the formula I



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in which the variables have the following meanings:

25 R^1, R^2 are hydrogen, halogen, C_1-C_6 -alkyl, C_1-C_6 -alkylthio, C_1-C_6 -alkylsulfinyl, C_1-C_6 -alkylsulfonyl, C_1-C_6 -haloalkyl, C_1-C_6 -alkoxy, C_1-C_6 -haloalkoxy;

R^3 is hydrogen, halogen, C_1-C_6 -alkyl;

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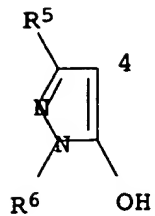
X is a heterocycle from amongst the group consisting of isoxazolyl, 4,5-dihydroisoxazolyl and thiazolyl, it being possible for the heterocycle to be optionally monosubstituted or polysubstituted by halogen, C_1-C_6 -alkyl, 35 C_1-C_4 -alkoxy, C_1-C_4 -haloalkyl, C_1-C_4 -haloalkoxy, C_1-C_4 -alkylthio;

R^4 is a pyrazole of the formula II

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which is linked in the 4-position and where

R⁵ is hydrogen or C₁-C₆-alkyl,

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R⁶ is C₁-C₆-alkyl,

or their environmentally compatible salts;

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b) a nitrogenous fertilizer in a synergistically effective amount and

c) an adjuvant in a synergistically effective amount.

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